



YMCA Board Plan Benefit Supper Jan. 23

The Board of Directors of the Agawam Community YMCA is planning an Old-Fashioned New England Baked Bean Supper for the benefit of the local "Y." The supper will be held in the new cafeteria of the Junior High School on Jan. 23rd from 5 until 7:30 p.m.

The menu will include baked beans, frankfurts, cole slaw, rolls, butter, coffee, milk ice cream and cookies.

"Chef" Nicholas Zucco is in charge of food preparations assisted by Santo Cannarella, Samuel Provo, Joseph Ferrari, James Loomis, Charles Benoit and Kenneth Grady.

DiDonato To Visit Mexico City

Anthony DiDonato of Springfield St., Feeding Hills, is packing for a fiesta trip to Mexico City the middle of January. Mr. DiDonato, owner, DiDonato Sales & Service, the local Massey-Ferguson dealer, paid his way to Mexico by his sales performance during the past year.

As part of one of the most complicated industrial air charters ever carried out, he will be airlifted into Mexico in company with 300 other dealers from more than 40 take-off points in Canada and the United States. Each group will stay in Mexico four days and then return to their hometowns in aircraft that a few hours before delivered another 300 to attend the product demonstration.

They will visit Teotihuacan, near Mexico City, the site of one of the major early cultures. There they will see a pageant on the Indian culture performed exclusively for them for the first time on the ruins of a once-great civilization by the famed Teatro Classico de Mexico. The tractor demonstrations will be held on the grounds of Mexico's National Agricultural College at Chapingo, some 40 miles from Mexico City.

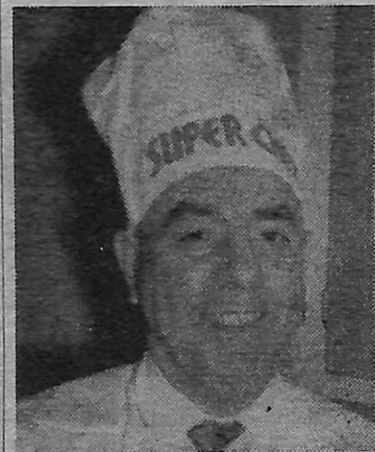
White Aboard Cutter Chincoteague

USCGC CHINCOTEAGUE (WAVP-375) (FHTNC)—Fireman Apprentice Lyman F. White Jr., USCG, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman F. White, Sr., of 20 Royal St., Agawam, is serving aboard the Coast Guard Cutter Chincoteague which recently was awarded the Commander Eastern Area Achievement Award and the Commander Eastern Area Military Readiness Award for 1964.

The Achievement Award is presented annually to Coast Guard cutters assigned to Ocean Station duty during the year who have maintained a high degree of efficiency and readiness throughout the year. The award entitles the Chincoteague to display a large "E" on her smoke stack. This is the cutter's second award, so a service stripe is displayed below the "E."

The Military Readiness Award is presented to the Coast Guard Cutter whose final state of military readiness is noteworthy after completing Navy Refresher Training at Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. A large "R" is displayed on the cutter to show receipt of the award.

Ticket chairman Paul Adams, Jr., is assisted by Archie Taylor, James Pease, Marcia Paine with a sales committee including, Roland Jacobs, John Chriscola, Jannette Chandler, Loren Clark,



CHEF ZUCCO

Stella Gallerani, William McLellan, Jack Moltenbray, Rita Moore, Anthony Naciewicz, James O'Keefe, Ernest Swanson, Jean Clifford, Adelaide Bonacher and the food committee, Provo, Cannarella, Ferrari, Loomis, Benoit, Grady and Chef Zucco.

Stella Gallerani will supervise the dining room and Anthony Naciewicz is in charge of public relations to be certain that everyone attending is given excellent service.

Tickets may be secured at the YMCA office at 108 Perry Lane or from any member of the board of directors. Special price for children under 13 years of age.

1st Lieut. Bitgood Completes Course

FORT EUSTIS, Va. (AHTNC)—First Lieutenant John J. Bitgood, whose wife Kathryn, lives at 2115 Jame Ave., St. Paul, Minn., completed a nine-week transportation officer orientation course at the Army Transportation School, Fort Eustis, Va., Dec. 18.

During the course Lieutenant Bitgood received instruction in the duties and responsibilities of a transportation officer and was trained in the operational procedures of transporting military personnel and equipment.

The lieutenant entered the Army in June 1961.

The 24-year-old officer, son of Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bitgood, Jr., 1010 Suffolk St., Agawam, is a 1957 graduate of Agawam High School. He received a BVA degree in 1961 from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

Junior Rifle Club New Class Jan. 26

The Agawam Junior Rifle Club, through its chief instructor, Edmund J. Gleason of Feeding Hills, Mass., announces that a new class in Firearms Educational Training will start on Jan. 26.

During the past 18 years that this club has been in operation, it has trained over 700 local area youths in the safe and efficient handling of firearms and marksmanship. Past and present members of this club have won hundreds of medals and trophies, as

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"Father's Night" At Danahy PTA

OPEN LETTER TO DAD

Dear Dad:

You are invited to attend a special program for Fathers this coming Wednesday evening at 8 in the Danahy School cafeteria. The Parent-Teacher Association has invited a well known sportsman as guest speaker. They are also serving special dessert, (home-made pie). Mom can come with you and you both can speak with my teacher and hear how well I am doing in school. Please don't disappoint me and besides Dad, I will feel so proud when I say, "My Dad, was there!"

Thanks Dad,

Your loving child.

'65 March of Dimes Drive To Battle Birth Defects

Leadership of the January March of Dimes campaign was completed today with the appointment of Community Directors in key areas of Hampden County.

Named to the top posts by the County Campaign Director Thomas J. Ashe were Robert De Forge, Agawam Center Post Office and Julio A. Alvigini, Feeding Hills Post Office.

Mr. Ashe said the new appointees would coordinate the efforts of thousands of local volunteers during the traditional January campaign.

Funds raised in Hampden County will go to support the fight against birth defects at both the local and national level, said Mr. Ashe.

"We are just now beginning to discover the fearful toll that birth defects take each year in this country," he said. "Not only are there 250,000 babies born annually with serious birth defects, but physicians are discovering that many disabling and even fatal ailments which crop up later in life are actually the fault of hidden birth defects."

The March of Dimes, he noted, is supporting the work of many prominent scientists who are investigating these and other aspects of birth defects, hoping to find the means of preventing them. In addition, March of Dimes-financed centers and clinics are furnishing improved medical care for victims of birth defects, making it possible for many of them to escape permanent disability.

"The wholehearted support of the people of Hampden County this January, will enable the March of Dimes to continue and expand these efforts aimed at eliminating the threat of birth defects which hangs over so many of our young prospective parents," Mr. Ashe said.

South PTA To Hear School Committee

The South Elementary Parent-Teacher Association will hold their first meeting of this year Wednesday at the school cafeteria at 8.

The six members of the School Committee, Joseph Della-Guistina, Joseph Napolitan, Conrad Phillips, Francis Rosso, Philip DeForge and Walter Balboni will have a panel discussion followed by a question and answer period. This will be a very informative evening.

Preceding the program, a short business meeting will be held with the co-presidents, Mr. and Mrs. Nicholas Waytovich presiding.

Room Mothers, Mrs. Roger Heywood, Mrs. Francis Hart, Mrs. George Cobleigh, Jr., and Mrs. Harry Leonardi of the fourth grade will be in charge of refreshments which will be served after the meeting.

Local Men Complete Lackland Training

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. — Two Agawam, Mass., men have completed U. S. Air Force basic military training at Lackland AFB, Texas, and have been selected to attend technical training courses. They are Airmen Richard M. Walsh and James T. Washington.

Airman Walsh, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin F. Walsh of 31 Cosgrove St., will be trained as a medical specialist at Gunter AFB, Ala.

Airman Washington, son of Mr. and Mrs. Everett L. Washington of 393 Pine St., will be trained as an aircraft maintenance specialist at Amarillo AFB, Tex.

Both airmen are 1964 graduates of Agawam High School.

Scholarship-Loan Information

Application for scholarships should be made in the SENIOR year well in advance of the closing dates indicated below. Agawam High School will NOT assume responsibility for late applications.

Factors considered in the selection of winners are usually scholarship, school citizenship, suitability of future educational plans and need.

The Guidance Director will assist gladly in making plans and in securing information for students who desire this aid.

Pick up application blanks for any of the following scholarships in the guidance office before April 1, 1965.

SCHOLARSHIPS

Agawam Chapter—Unico National: Scholarships vary from year to year for students of Italian origin.

Agawam Lettermen's: Eligibility—Anyone who earned a varsity "A" is eligible to apply. Candidates must write a letter to the scholarship committee telling about financial need and plans for the future. Amount varies from year to year.

Agawam Lions Club: \$200 each to a boy and girl.

Agawam Lionesses' Club: \$50 scholarship to a member of the

senior class who is planning to become a registered nurse by entering an accredited nursing school in the fall.

Agawam Teachers Club: \$200 to two seniors who are going to prepare for teaching.

VFW Post 1632 Auxiliary: \$50 given preferably to a son or daughter of a veteran.

Agawam Women's Club: \$200 scholarship gift to any deserving senior.

Benjamin J. Phelps Memorial: Several \$100 scholarships.

Faolin N. Peirce Memorial: To several students who attended the Peirce Elementary School. The amount varies.

Feeding Hills Community Women's Club: A scholarship of \$50 to a worthy senior going to college.

Football Moms: To outstanding seniors who have been members of the football team. Amount and number of boys vary from year to year.

Polish-American Club Auxiliary: Two scholarships—one to a boy and one to a girl of Polish origin. Amount varies from year to year.

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Garceau Completes Combat Training



PVT. PAUL E. GARCEAU

CAMP LEJEUNE, N. C. (FHTNC)—Marine Private Paul E. Garceau, son of Mr. and Mrs. Alfred E. Garceau of 39 Royal Lane, Agawam, completed four weeks of individual combat training Nov. 18 at the First Infantry Training Regiment, Marine Corps Base, Camp Lejeune, N. C.

While with the regiment all new marines are trained in tactical and combat skills needed for battle. Emphasis was placed on the small unit tactic—the four-man fire team and the 14-man squad.

VWWI CARD PARTY WINNERS

The fourth in the present series of Card Parties sponsored by the Veterans of World War I was held in the Agawam National Guard Armory on Maynard Street last Wednesday evening. Door prize winners were: Albert Tryon, Delia Cadorette, Marion Damon and Betty Dane.

Ace prizes were won by Florence Steere and Ed Lancour. Winning the mystery prizes were Gladys Cortes and Florence Steere.

The following prizes were awarded for play: Ladies—1st Julia Capeless, 2nd Mildred Cole, 3rd Caroline Lauritsen, and consolation F. LeBlanc. Men—1st E. E. Sears, 2nd Ed Lancour, 3rd Tom Bishop, and consolation Ed Burton.

The series will continue each Wednesday evening until Jan. 13 at the same time and place. Refreshments are served and a nice time can be enjoyed. Won't you and your friends come and join us?

Walter S. Kerr Barracks #396 wish to thank all who made these parties the success they have been all year, and to wish them and theirs a happy and successful New Year.

CHURCH NEWS

BAPTIST CHURCH

Rev. Benjamin Lockhart, Pastor
Mrs. Frank Merchant, Organist
and Choir Director
Mrs. Barbara Briggs, Church
Secretary

Thursday—6:30 p.m. Choralier
Choir rehearse at church; 7:30
p.m. Senior Choir rehearse at
church.

Friday—3 p.m. Melody Choir
rehearse at church; 7:30 The By-
law Revision Committee meet in
the church office.

Sunday—9 and 11:10 a.m. Two
Morning Worship Services . . .
9:30 and 10 a.m. Church School
for all. Rev. Lockhart will preach
morning services. Celestial Choir
sing first service and Senior
Choir sing second service; 6 p.m.
Junior High BYF meet at
church; 6 p.m. Senior BYF met
at church.

Monday—1 p.m. A Board meet-
ing for United Women's Fellow-
ship at church; 7:30 p.m. A re-
hearsal for Mr. and Mrs. Club
Show "This is the Weak-End
That Was" in Fellowship House.

Tuesday—7 p.m. Celestial
Choir rehearse at church.

Wednesday—10 a.m. to 4 p.m.
and 7 to 9 p.m. Trading Post
open; 7 p.m. ABC Bell Ringers
rehearse at church; 7:30 p.m.
A rehearsal for the Mr. and Mrs.
Club Show in Fellowship House.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

Rev. Floyd C. Bryan, Minister
Mrs. Andrew G. Toussaint,
Minister of Music

Friday—7:30 p.m. Sanctuary
Choir rehearsal; 8 p.m. Square
Dance.

Saturday—8:45 p.m. Interme-
diate Choir rehearsal; 9:30 a.m.
Junior Choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9 a.m. Church School

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preaching; 10 a.m. Adult Bible
class; Church School Grades 7-
12; 11 a.m. Church School Nur-
sery-Grade 6; Church at Morn-
ing Worship, Rev. Bryan preach-
ing; 5:30 p.m. Junior Pilgrim
Fellowship; 7 p.m. Senior Pil-
grim Fellowship.

Monday—7:30 p.m. Deacons'
meeting; 8 p.m. Friendly Work-
ers' meeting.

Wednesday—8 p.m. Religious
education meeting. Mr. Horace
Seldon speaking on the Spring
Curriculum.

Thursday—12 noon. Ladies'
Aid. Short Business meeting then
luncheon at the Baptist Church.

FEEDING HILLS CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH

21 North Westfield St.

Rev. Arthur N. Sweeney, Pastor
Mrs. Frederick Nardi, Organist
Mrs. David Meyer, Jr. Choir Dir.
Mrs. Aileen Kellogg, Jr. Choir
Assistant

Saturday—9:30 a.m. Junior
choir rehearsal; 10:30 a.m. Cher-
ub choir rehearsal.

Sunday—9:30 Church School;
11 a.m. Worship Service.

LAY MEMORIAL METHODIST CHURCH

Rev. Kenneth Thornton, Minister
Mrs. H. Binns, Organist
Mrs. M. Keyes, Sr. Choir Director
Mrs. R. Ashton, Jr. Choir Director

Sunday—9:30 a.m. Church
School; 9:30 a.m. Fellowship
Hour; 10 a.m. Worship Service
. . . Nursery for infants.

ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA CHURCH

Rev. Dominic A. Ruscetta,
CPS Rector.
Rev. James T. Cunningham,
CPS, Assistant.

Mass Schedule
Sundays: 7, 8:30, 10:30 a.m.
Weekdays: 7 a.m.
Tuesday—7:30 p.m. St. An-
thony Devotions.

VALLEY COMMUNITY CHURCH

Rev. Frank E. Dunn, Minister
Mrs. John Cesan, Secretary
Mrs. John MacPherson and
Mr. Harry Prior,
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Rev. John S. Tyler, Vicar

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munion Service; 10 a.m. Morn-
ing Worship; 7 p.m. Evening
Prayer.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

Upper Church—Second Sts.
West Springfield, Mass.
Pastor John N. Garner

Sunday—9:45 a.m. Bible School
for all ages; 11 a.m. Morning
Worship service. Sermon by Pas-
tor Garner. Nursery during Bible
School and morning service 6 p.m.
Young People meet at the church;
7 p.m. evening service conducted
by Mr. Garner.

Wednesday—7:30 p.m. "Hour
of Power," midweek prayer meet-
ing and service.

Payment Deferred

LONDON—Britain is deferr-
ing payment to the United States
and Canada of a total of nearly
62 million pounds (\$173 million)
on postwar loans, Chancellor of
the Exchequer James Callaghan
announced.

This will be a big help to Bri-
tain in its current economic dif-
ficulties. It will reduce the bal-
ance-of-payments deficit earlier
officially estimated as likely to top
a peacetime record level of 800
million pounds (\$2.2 billion) by
the end of the year.

Under 1957 arrangement, the
British Government can postpone
installments of principal and in-
terest repayments, which then
are tacked onto the end of the
period of the loan, now due to be
liquidated in 2002.

The amounts involved are \$138
million and \$37.7 million to the
United States and Canada respec-
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WASHINGTON — Kennedy according to the Treasury De-
partment, if one can get the
price.
Nor is there any law against
use of coins in trinkets, although
the department deprecates it.

The "gray market," as it were,
develops in the uneven distribu-
tion at some banks where tellers
are suspected of slipping extra
Kennedy coins to friends or fa-
vored customers.

Or in the coin market where
regular coin dealers mutter pri-
vately about "speculators" jump-
ing into the market briefly, then
out again, and manipulating
prices.

Merchants here seem to feel
that "the gray market" will
bleach out by next year," as the
United States Mint pours out
millions more of the Kennedy
coins, still under a 1964 date.

The American Express has
been the main, if somewhat re-
luctant, supplier overseas.

"We have had requests for
more than 200,000," a spokesman
from the company said.

They have distributed some
25,000 so far "at a slight mark-
up to cover the cost."

The company says it is "not
having too much luck in getting
the coins. Our supply is so lim-
ited we have to prorate the dis-
tribution. There are long waiting
lists."

He reported a big demand for
the coins in Okinawa, West Ger-
many, Italy and Austria, among
other countries.

The Treasury Department re-
called having received many let-
ters from Australia and New
Zealand where the souvenir
"seems to be particularly popu-
lar."

Inquiries have also come in
volume from England, West Ger-
many, Japan, Canada and Mex-
ico.

The demand is heavy in Italy,
according to an Italian source
here.

A recent Italian visitor to the
United States said he had been
asked to bring back about 50 of
the coins if he could get them.

He did, with the assistance of
American friends who each ob-
tained a few at their local bank
until the "order" was filled.

The prized 50 cent coin may
be purchased in almost any store
with a coin counter at a premi-
um. The going rate in Washing-
ton seems to be \$1.25.

It is big in the Christmas
trade, too, mounted in key rings,
paper weights, bracelets and other
items.

There is nothing illegal in sell-
ing a coin above its face value.

Tax Refund? You Can Speed Payment

To help speed up mailing of
refund checks due on federal in-
come tax returns, the Internal
Revenue Service announces a spe-
cial post office box has been set
aside to receive such returns.

Taxpayers with money due on
their 1964 returns can mail them
as follows: Post Office Box 70,
Back Bay Annex, Boston, Mass.
02117.

All other federal returns, how-
ever, should be addressed as usual
says Alvin M. Kelley, district di-
rector of Internal Revenue.

An Unusual Dining Room

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Mrs. W. Ray Scott has some
special problems in her dining
room.

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crickets, bats, and a constant 54-
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1965 March of Dimes Is Launched To Score Birth Defects Knockout

A "one-two" punch will be aimed at the problem of birth defects this January during the annual March of Dimes campaign across the nation.

"The objective of the drive is twofold," explained Dr. Daniel Bergsma, director of the medical department of The National Foundation-March of Dimes. "More than 250,000 seriously defective children are born each year in this country—one every other minute. Given the facts, the American public will recognize the problem of birth defects for what it is—a national emergency that requires immediate action. We invite the public to help us meet this emergency."

"The second goal is money. With public contributions to the January March of Dimes, we expect to establish the additional March of Dimes-supported birth defects centers desperately needed for the faster diagnosis, evaluation and improved treatment of these defects which cripple or disfigure a child before it's born. Funds are also needed to enable scientists to continue their search for the causes and possible ways to prevent birth defects."

To support medical and scientific workers in the front lines of the battle against birth defects, The National Foundation-March of Dimes has a behind-the-lines army two million strong. These are volunteers from the more than 3,000 March of Dimes county chapters throughout the 50 states—men, women and teenagers, too, who dedicate their efforts to the success of the January campaign and the year-round programs of The National Foundation.

Visit 15 Million Homes

To acquaint families with the aims of The National Foundation-March of Dimes, these volunteers will join the Mothers' March at the end of the month during which some 15 million homes are visited. Other volunteers will address about 30 million informative mailers. March of Dimes volunteers also organize fund-raising events to support the work of local chapters and the national organization.

These volunteers devote a great deal of energy to the important task of informing parents of defective children about the March of Dimes birth defects centers and in encouraging families to seek medical help for the afflicted child, whether from the centers or from private physicians.

About one in 10 American families experiences the heart-break caused by the birth of a seriously defective child. By no means are all of these children receiving medical attention which might make such a difference in their lives.

Some Give Up Hope

"Too often families are overwhelmed by helplessness and despair," Dr. Bergsma said. "They frequently give up hope without exploring all possibilities for their child. But with the continued progress of medicine in this field, conditions which were once beyond treatment can often be helped by newly-developed methods. Also, the individual's condition may change and make help a possibility."

Her parents' persistence paid off for 4-year-old Mickey Heinicke, the 1965 National March of Dimes child. Mickey was born with a spinal deformity that paralyzed her from the waist down. At one time it seemed unlikely that she could ever walk.

Yet today the spunky youngster goes darting around with pint-sized crutches and braces. Not perfect—but certainly an improvement over crawling. The increased mobility means an expanded world to little Mickey and her family.

In research within the past few years, scientists supported by March of Dimes funds produced new or improved tests to detect inborn errors of metabolism, so that prompt treatment can prevent permanent



SQUARING OFF for a knockout blow at birth defects is Michaeline ("Mickey") Lea Heinicke, 4, Denver, the 1965 National March of Dimes Child.

damage to the infant's body or mind.

"The progress made thus far is significant and promising," Dr. Bergsma noted, "but we have taken just the first step on a long road. When the American people recognize the magnitude of the problem, they will demand and support an efficient and effective attack against the many birth defects that cripple or disfigure 700 infants each day. With their generous help, we can build up our chapter center programs and birth defects centers throughout the country and we will continue to support individual scientists in the quest for knowledge in this critical area."

Suggestions Speed The Mail

The suggestion box is working for the United States Post Office in Boston.

Mail is being handled more efficiently and more safely today because the post office has taken advantage of the knowledge of its employees and is rewarding them for their help.

Earlier this year Postmaster Ephraim Martin asked every employee of the Boston Postal District to submit suggestions that might help the post office function more efficiently. "This request led to an opening up of ideas and began more effective thinking," Mr. Martin said this week.

Personnel began to discuss with their supervisors ideas that had been resting unspoken in their thoughts, he added.

Employees of the Boston Postal District worked hard to implement "Operation Teamwork," the national program set up to make use of the many good suggestions made by mailmen everywhere.

Used in the 115 largest post offices during the postal fiscal year 1964, "Operation Teamwork" produced an unprecedented 97,186 suggestions for improving service and cutting costs.

In the Boston Postal District 6112 employees entered the program, and 566 of them received citations and/or cash for their ideas.

Of more importance was the \$143,944 in savings to taxpayers.

Many of the suggestions do not seem impressive to the average citizen. But, added up, they are

substantial and deserving of notice.

For instance, one postal employee suggested the painting of street letter boxes with decals instead of painted raised lettering. Another devised a means for rebuilding the hydramatic transmissions used in mail trucks. Both received cash awards.

A year ago it took 264 switches to make a Mail-Flo conveyor system function. An employee showed how 240 of the switches could be eliminated, thereby making the system easier to operate. He got a \$550 award.

Several suggested changes in the dispatch of mail from outside points to Boston, through better connections, resulted in 24-hour earlier receipt and delivery.

There have been various suggestions providing for the safety and convenience of the public.

The safety of postal employees brought many suggestions. One led to the installation of guards on overhead conveyor belts to prevent the dropping of sacks on the heads of workers below. Extra mirrors were installed in various places to enable supervisors and personnel to see equipment at a glance.

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Cool, Man! That Moon Food

"Man, that moon food is cool, really cool!"

Such was the reaction of Massachusetts Institute of Technology student experimenters to new "space rations" designed to sustain American astronauts on the moon.

Comments on the food, presented Tuesday at an MIT lecture by Dr. John F. McCarthy Jr., MIT alumnus and director of Apollo spacecraft control systems for North American Aviation, ranged from cool (meaning great) to urk (not so hot).

It appeared that while the spacecraft is indeed on schedule for the estimated 1969 journey, man will have to adapt himself to the dried, crispy, crunchy foods of space travel.

The American moon party's activities on the moon will be relayed to Earth by television and transmitted on nationwide TV, Dr. McCarthy disclosed.

The secret of financial success is to spend what you have after saving, instead of saving what is left after spending.

Scholarship Loan...

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to year.

LOAN INFORMATION

Commercial Lending Sources of Funds: Recognized organizations that specialize in educational loans for students are: Funds for Education, Inc., 319 Lincoln Street, Manchester, New Hampshire; Insured Tuition Plan, 38 Newbury Street, Boston 16, Massachusetts; Education Funds, Inc., 10 Dorrance Street, Providence 3, Rhode Island; and Tuition Plan, Inc., One Park Avenue, New York 16, New York.

In May, 1964, the Coast Guard placed in operation the world's first atom-powered lighthouse in Chesapeake Bay, Md. It is anticipated that ultimately automatic facilities will supplant many of the manned light stations now in use.

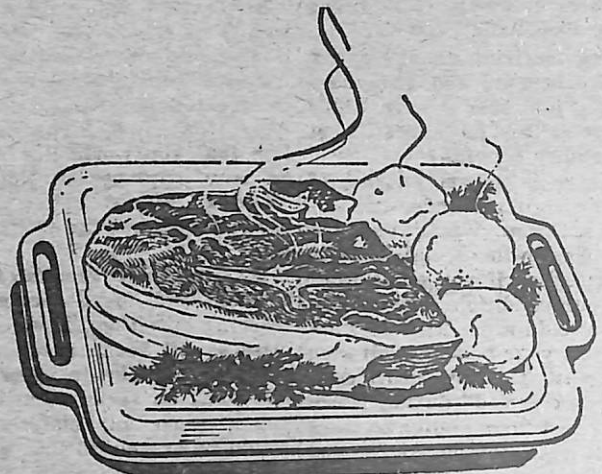
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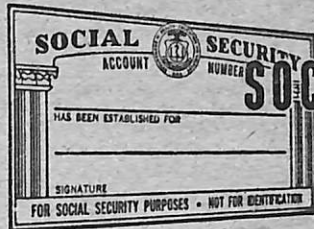
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SOCIAL SECURITY Questions and Answers

Q. My 17-year-old daughter is getting married. I am only 47 and do not have any other children receiving social security benefits. Will my benefits stop when she gets married or will they continue until she is age 18?

A. Your benefits will stop when your daughter gets married. Neither you nor your daughter will be eligible to receive the social security benefit for the month in which your daughter marries. You may, however, qualify for widow's benefits at age 62.

Q. I am receiving social security disability benefits and have been offered a job. May I earn \$1200 per year at this job and still get my disability benefits?

A. There is no set amount of allowable earnings under the disability program. What you must do is report to the Social Security Administration if you go to work or if your condition improves so that you could work. This does not mean that your benefits will stop right away. The law provides a "trial work period" during which you can test your ability to work for at least 9 months. At the end of the trial work period, your case will be evaluated and a decision made as to whether your condition has improved to permit you to work substantially. Your social security benefits will continue until this decision is made.

Q. I am receiving social security benefits. I retired in 1961 at the age of 65. I have been offered a job that pays \$200 a month. How will this affect my receiving my benefits?

A. If you earn over \$1200 in 1964, some of your benefits will be withheld. The exact amount to be withheld would depend on how much you earned and the months you worked.

For a detailed explanation of how earnings affect social security benefits, ask your social security district office for a copy of booklet OASI-23.

Q. I am a widow with three minor children receiving social security benefits. I plan to re-marry in the near future. Will all payments stop since my new husband will be fully supporting us?

A. No. Your benefits will stop when you re-marry. Your children, however, will continue to receive social security benefits as long as they are under age 18,

unmarried, and are not adopted by someone other than a step-parent, aunt, uncle, or grandparent.

Q. I recently read a book on social security in which the author gave certain information that I do not believe to be true. Do you have any official literature which would help me determine the authenticity of the information contained in this book?

A. All social security district offices have a number of different pamphlets which give factual information about the social security law. These pamphlets are free to anyone who asks for them. Also, if there is a specific question that you would like answered, any employee in the social security district office will be happy to answer the question for you.

Q. I recently graduated from college and have accepted a teaching position. Most of my classes will be in social studies and I would like to spend about one week on social security. Can you give me any materials that would be of help in this work?

A. Yes. The social security district offices have a supply of kits designed especially for teachers. They will also furnish you with pamphlets for your students. If you wish to have an employee of the Social Security Administration to talk to your classes, the district office will send a qualified speaker to lecture, answer questions and/or show a film about social security.

Q. I am an employee of the County Government and am conducting a study to determine the amount of income received by residents of the county. Where can I get information about the amount of social security that is received?

A. Once a year the Social Security Administration compiles a report showing benefits being paid in each county in the U. S. Each social security district office has a copy of this report and will be glad to give you the information you wish.

Q. During the tax-filing season I am self-employed as a tax consultant. I have heard of a handbook on social security and taxes published by the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. Where can I get a copy of this?

A. Your nearest social security district office has a limited number of copies of the "Social Security Handbook," published chiefly for tax consultants and other professional people. Copies of this may be purchased from the Superintendent of Documents, Government Printing Office, Washington, D. C. 20402.

Q. When a man dies who has worked under social security, does his family automatically collect social security payments?

A. No. Everyday social security payments, often badly needed, are lost because families don't know to check with the social security office when there's a death in the family. Social security checks can't start unless a claim is made for them. In some cases, the money is lost forever. For example, a lump-sum death payment must be claimed within 2 years of the worker's death. And a claim for monthly checks can only be paid retroactively for 12 months at the most.

Q. A cousin of mine was killed last year. He wasn't married and the lump-sum death payment went to his brother because he paid the funeral bill. My cousin had been supporting his parents for years, but a friend said there was no need for them to visit the social security office because they're still in their fifties. Was that good advice?

A. No. While it's true that your cousin's dependent parents can't get benefit payments until they're 62, they must file evidence soon with social security to prove their dependency. This proof of dependency must be filed within 2 years of the date of your cousin's death. The social security folks have the forms and will be glad to help your cousin's parents fill them out.

Q. How long does it take for checks to start to a widow and her children?

A. It takes about a month if she has the children's birth certificates, her marriage certificate, and a copy of her husband's withholding tax statement for the previous year (Form W-2) when she puts in her claim.

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January 11

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January 16

SENIOR HIGH

Monday: Juice, toasted ham & cheese roll, potato chips, lettuce & sliced tomatoes, peanut butter/honey sandwiches, chocolate cake /butter icing, milk.

Tuesday: Baked link sausages, parsleyed potato, applesauce, rye bread/butter, jello with topping, milk.

Wednesday: Frankfurt on roll, homemade baked beans, cabbage/carrot salad, peanut butter/honey sandwich, iced pineapple square, milk.

Thursday: Juice, meat ball grinder, buttered green beans, peanut butter/honey sandwich, peach shortcake w/topping, milk.

Friday: Juice, grilled cheese sandwich, potato chips, celery-carrot sticks, pickle slices, iced cherry square, milk.

JUNIOR HIGH

Monday: Hamburg in gravy, mashed potatoes, broccoli, chocolate pudding w/topping, bread/butter, milk.

Tuesday: Chopped ham sandwiches, pickles, french fries, carrots, jello w/topping, milk.

Wednesday: Juice, beef stew w/vegetables, peanut butter sandwiches, rice custard, bread/butter, milk.

Thursday: Juice, hamburger on bun, green beans, purple plums, peanut butter sandwiches, oatmeal cookies, milk.

Friday: Juice, pizza, cabbage-carrot sticks, peanut butter applesauce cake, peanut butter sandwiches, milk.

DANAHI

Monday: Mashed potatoes, hamburger gravy, broccoli, bread/butter, sliced peaches, milk.

Tuesday: Orange juice, frank-furt and roll w/relish, mustard, cole slaw w/green peppers, gingerbread w/whipped topping, milk.

Wednesday: Tomato rice soup w/vegetables, sliced meat sandwiches, celery-carrot sticks, peanut butter cookie, fresh fruit, milk.

Thursday: Noodle w/meat-tomato sauce, cheese wedge, green beans, peanut butter sandwiches, purple plus, milk.

Friday: Juice, oven fried potatoes, tuna sail boats, peas, carrots, cake square, milk.

GRANGER

Monday: Hamburg in gravy, mashed potato, niblet corn, peanut butter sandwich, pineapple tidbits, milk.

Tuesday: Juice, grilled hamburger on roll, relish, catsup, cheese finger, lettuce-tomato salad, apple crisp, milk.

Wednesday: Baker beans w/frankfort rings, cole slaw, peanut butter-jelly sandwich, peaches, milk.

Thursday: Oven fried chicken, parsley potato, baby pease/carrots, bread/butter, pears, milk.

Friday: Juice, pizza w/cheese-tomato sauce, green beans, peanut butter cookies, fresh fruit, milk.

PEIRCE

Monday: Orange lemonade, hamburger w/brown gravy, whipped potatoes, buttered peas, peanut butter sandwich, chocolate cookies, milk.

Tuesday: Beef, vegetable, cheese muffins or peanut butter

sandwich, carrot stix, pineapple chunks, milk.

Wednesday: Oven fried chicken, parsley potatoes, buttered carrots, bread/butter, sweet plums, milk.

Thursday: Meat ball grinder, cole slaw w/grated carrots, cheese Cube, peanut butter sandwich, applesauce, milk.

Friday: Baked macaroni w/cheese/tomatoes, buttered green beans, tuna salad sandwich, cherry crumb cake, milk.

PHELPS

Monday: Citrus juice, grilled hamburger on buttered bun, onion slices, relish, buttered green beans, apple, milk.

Tuesday: Chicken noodle soup, peanut buttered sandwich, carrot sticks, orange wedges, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Wednesday: Spaghetti w/meat tomato sauce, cole slaw, bread/butter, purple plums, milk.

Thursday: Roast beef in gravy, mashed potatoes, buttered broccoli, bread/butter, applesauce, milk.

Friday: Oven fried fish sticks, parsley potatoes, tossed salad, bread/butter, pineapple tidbits, milk.

ROBINSON

Monday: Orange juice, hamburger on roll, mustard, relish, buttered carrots, cheese sticks, gingerbread w/applesauce, milk.

Tuesday: Shell macaroni w/meat tomato sauce, cabbage/carrot salad, rye bread/butter, fruit cup, milk.

Wednesday: Citrus juice, grinders, (sliced meat, cheese, lettuce, tomato), potato chips, sliced pickles, purple plums, milk.

Thursday: Juice, soup (rice), celery and carrot sticks, chicken salad, peanut butter sandwiches, fresh fruit, peanut butter cookie, milk.

Friday: Baked fish sticks, parsley potato, mixed vegetables, bread/butter, peanut butter sandwich, fruited jello w/topping, milk.

SOUTH

Monday: Orange juice, steamed franks on buttered roll, buttered peas, carrots, purple plums, milk.

Tuesday: Citrus juice, homemade beef stew w/vegetables, peanut butter-honey on rye bread, cheese sticks, brownie square, milk.

Wednesday: Barbecued beef on buttered bun, buttered broccoli, citrus fruit cup, M&M cookie, milk.

Thursday: Spaghetti w/meat-tomato sauce, fruit slaw, jelly on rye bread-peanut butter, applesauce cake, milk.

Friday: Orange juice, baked beans, catsup, egg salad on rye, cheese sticks, fruit cocktail, cookie, milk.

A fellow walked into a cafe wearing a hat. When the manager asked him to remove it, he noticed that the fellow's hair was parted across his head, from side to side instead of from front to back. He was curious and asked the man if it ever bothered him.

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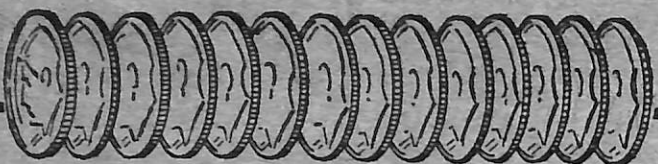
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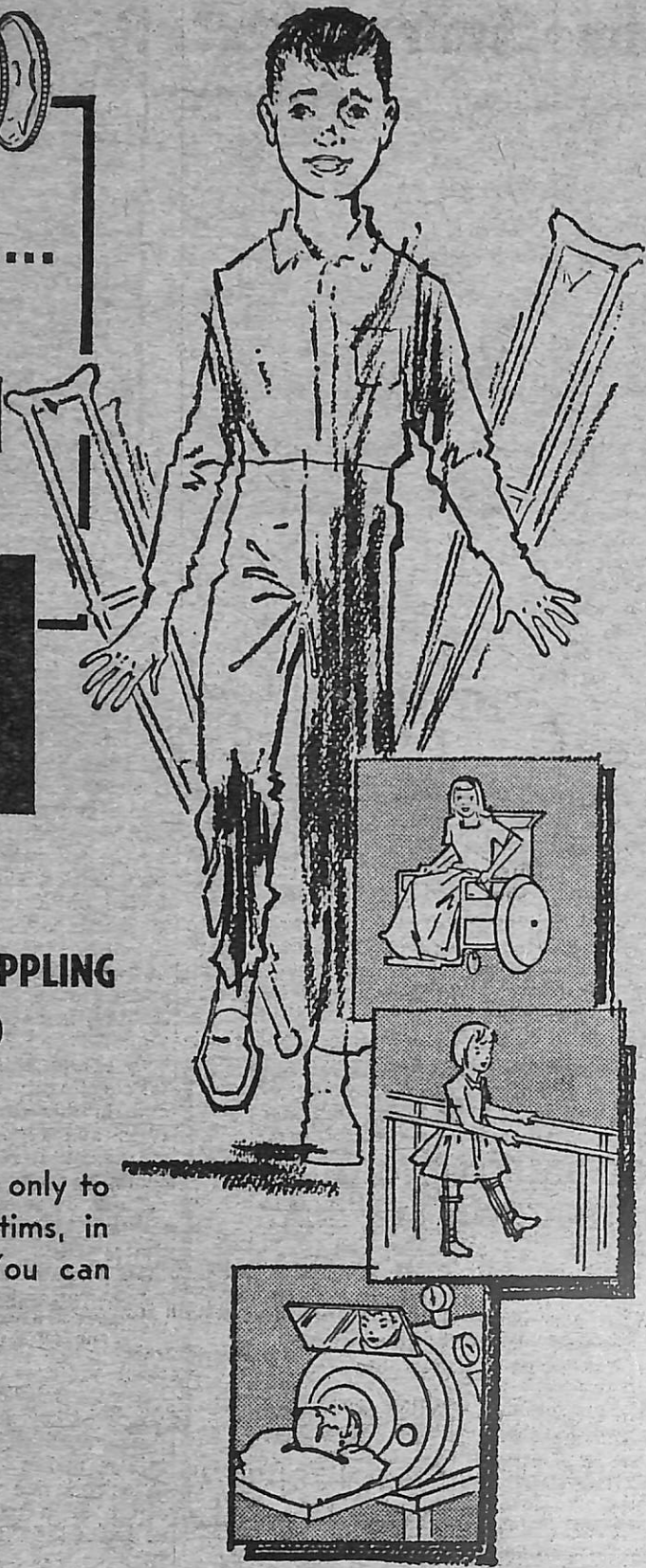
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SPORTSMEN'S CORNER



By Bill Chiba

Mr. Herman Mutti had one of his beagles leave home two weeks ago and has not returned. Herman is inclined to believe that some good samaritan has taken to feeding and bedding the dog thinking that it does not have a home. The dog answers to the name of "Tuck"—is brown, white and black (familiar beagle coloring), and is 13 inches tall. Herm would appreciate a call if you see or know the whereabouts of the friendly little canine. Oh! Herm lives on Bridge St., North Agawam, near the French Church. (A call to Herm, RE 3-5918, this writer, RE 3-5020, or Newspaper, ST 8-8996, would be appreciated.)

Blocked Minds

I became very disturbed last Sunday night over a statement made by a panelist on a TV program called "MEET THE EDITORS" over a local TV station. The Bill filed by Senator Dodd

of Connecticut concerning the mail order firearm business was the main topic of discussion. The editor of a Connecticut paper made the statement, "I hate guns, firearms of all types, and I hate the National Rifle Association." We take it from further remarks that this particular "editor" made, that his hate for the NRA stems from the fact that the Association is fighting the vehement diatribes against firearms of all description, and gun owners in general. We agree that the time has come to make a positive effort to overcome the ignorance and misunderstanding about firearms and the people who use them.

An Educator

The NRA, more than any other organization, promotes the best interests of gun owners and shooters. As a public service, it is dedicated to firearms safety education, marksmanship training, and shooting for recreation. It stands squarely behind the promise that the lawful ownership of firearms must not be denied American citizens of good repute so long as they continue to use them for lawful purposes. The NRA is recognized as the leading authority in the field of firearms safety education and marksmanship training because of its nationwide programs for the youth of America. It has demonstrated the soundness of the theory that the educational approach is the most effective method of avoiding gun accidents in the home and in the field.

The NRA has developed shoot-

ing activities for young people which bring out the qualities of sportsmanship, fair play, self-control, and cooperation so essential to responsible citizenship and to success in life. Its instruction guides and training courses have been prepared as aids for teaching proper gun handling in local communities. The program is conducted on a volunteer basis by thousands of NRA certified instructors in schools, summer camps, shooting clubs and other youth groups, in cooperation with state agencies and local organizations. The NRA is the governing body of competitive rifle and pistol shooting in the United States and, in this capacity, establishes rules and regulations, sanctions tournaments, recognizes national champions, and maintains official records. It represents the shooters of America in the United States Olympic Committee and the International Shooting Union.

Notwithstanding libelous statements and false information appearing in a few publications, and other news media, the National Rifle Association of America is composed of loyal, law-abiding American citizens. Yes, it certainly makes us feel a little squishy inside when we hear an editor of a paper remark that he hates the NRA.

New Officers

The Massachusetts State Division, Izaak Walton League of America has elected Paul Cormier, Springfield, president; Malcolm Johnston, Dorchester, vice-president; Phil Collins, Pittsfield, treasurer, and Robert Adler, Quincy, secretary.

The first meeting of 1965 will take place at the Yankee Drummer Inn, Auburn, Mass., Jan. 10, 1965 at 6 p.m. Jim Shepard, director of the Division of Fisheries and Game will be the main speaker.

During and after hurricanes and other emergencies, heat for cooking, and usually for warmth, is a top necessity. When power fails, prudent homeowners insure comfort by having on hand an ample supply of emergency fuel. For safety in storage, and for efficiency when needed, the most popular is the well-known "Sterno Canned Heat," as proved by the fact that stores in stricken areas quickly become sold out when trouble strikes.

Emergencies can strike anywhere, so this column suggests having an emergency kit always available. A portable refrigerator is an excellent container, since it keeps out dust, water and insects as well as stabilizing the temperature of stored items. Stock it with canned and dehydrated foods, medicines and other things you'll need. Include a dozen large cans of "Sterno" for cooking and warmth. Unopened cans can be stored safely for years without deterioration. Also keep a large container of water handy, and refresh it as often as necessary.

The Outdoorsman

by JOE BATES, JR.

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Let's Go Fishin'

BY BOB BREWSTER
Outdoor Editor,
Mercury Outboards

FOLLOWING THE BIRDS

Men, birds and fish have much in common. Take the matter of seasonal temperatures, for example.

With the approach of cold weather, those creatures that are able to do so move south for the winter.

The migration habits of fish, mainly the saltwater varieties, are as well defined as those of waterfowl or human sun-seekers, comment the fishing enthusiasts at Mercury outboards.

This nomadic trait causes fishermen either "feasts" or "famine," depending on the coastal angler's ability and inclination to follow his favorite sport to the temperate feeding grounds.

The "big prizes"—tuna, sailfish, marlin and swordfish—all drift south, some remaining in waters accessible to winter anglers, others crossing the equator to distant points.

The various and wide-ranging members of the Atlantic mackerel family, which migrate north in the summer, usually take up winter residence along the lower Florida coast. Pacific mackerel seek out the depths in cold weather, nearly disappearing altogether.

Except for a few resident fish which remain in southern Florida, winter sees almost total departure of the esteemed tarpon. Popular bluefish simply seem to vanish. Channel bass follow no regular pattern, moving offshore, inshore or fading from the scene for the season—depending on the locality. Some striped bass bask in the sun; others await spring under the ice. Sea trout may reverse the general trend by showing up in northern areas during the cold months.

Migratory fish have one trait in common. Prior to embarking for distant shores they feed heavily, providing red-hot fishing for autumn anglers.

Pheasant hunters, the nation over, can pass along a word of thanks to Owen Denny who was appointed Consul-general for the United States at Shanghai in 1881. It was through his pioneering spirit and a desire to see the ringneck pheasant thrive in America that he exported a representative number to his home in Portland, Oregon, in 1882. From this beginning and subsequent imports, the pheasant has become the number one upland game bird in America (with the possible exception of the Bob White which holds sway as feathered king in the southern states).

The wonderful world of spices and herbs is older than recorded history. Legend tells us that about 30,000 years ago a prehistoric wrapped his meat in aromatic leaves to keep it clean while he cooked it in a pit full of embers. And, to his surprise and pleasure, he found a new flavor on the meat. He had discovered the art of seasoning!

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Junior Rifle Club...

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well as a state championship, in competition.

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All shooting is done on a very safe, efficient and clean range under strictly controlled conditions, with constant supervision, and graduate of this training course are eligible to join the rifle club as positions become available.

Enrollment in the class is restricted to the 10-18 year olds, no restriction as to where a youngster comes from or whether they are boy or girl.

Special emphasis is being given to enroll as many girls in the 12-15 year group as possible, due to the fact that many parents don't believe that girls should know anything about firearms, yet many of the best shooters in the country are women and girls. Girls, too, come in contact with firearms and a knowledge of them can prevent injury to themselves and their future children as well as to obtain many hours of fun and enjoyment in their use.

Enrollment is by written consent of the parents, only, and may be sent to Edmund J. Gleason, 290 North St., Feeding Hills, Mass., listing name, address, and telephone.

This training program is under the auspices of the Agawam Sportsman's Club, and is instructed by Mr. Gleason, a National Rifle Association certified instructor and his assistants.



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SQUARE DANCE



PROMENADERS

By Al and Elaine Taupier

Here we are beginning a brand new year. Now that we are all out from under the holiday hustle and bustle, there will be time for doing things we want to do and have put off for lack of time. We hope one of the items on your list will be a return to regular square dancing.

The Agawam Promenaders has what we consider a well rounded schedule for January 1965. To start us off we will have Joe Prystupa guest calling for our Jan. 8 dance. Joe is a resident of Agawam and a well-known caller in our area. We are looking forward to a lively evening with him.

Coming up on Friday, Jan. 15, the Promenaders are sponsoring an Advance Workshop with Dick Mastriani as caller. This will be an opportunity for any dancers to brush up and learn any of the more intricate steps in square dancing. This dance is open and all club dancers are invited.

The fourth Friday of this month will bring back our own Dick Steele to our mike.

After the dance this Friday, Promenader members are reminded of our annual Business Meeting.

We are looking forward to getting back to square dancing after our holiday letup on our schedule. See you Friday night with Joe Prystupa.

CHEESE

Cheese is a food with a fascinating past. The story of its beginning in pre-historic times has come down as the legend of Kanana, a roving merchant who traveled across Asia centuries ago. According to the legend, Kanana put milk into a pouch made from the dried stomach of a sheep when he set out on a long day's journey across the desert. At nightfall when he stopped for a drink of milk, he found a thin, watery liquid poured out of the pouch. Curious, he opened the canteen and discovered there a mass of white curd with a delicate flavor!

There the legend ends, but we can guess that the results of this early accident soon become known throughout the East. At any rate, we do know that Asiatic tribes brought the art of cheese making to Europe where different localities developed their own special methods of manufacturing it.

The greatest seasonal snowfall on record, more than 83 feet was at Mount Ranier National Park in Washington.



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TODAY AND TOMORROW

BY RALF HARDESTER

Feature Editor TV GUIDE MAGAZINE

ITALIAN ACTRESS ELSA MARTINELLI MAKES HER VIDEO DEBUT in an upcoming episode of The Rogues ... Pilot for a series starring Bette Davis as an interior decorator has gone into production in Hollywood. Co-starring with Miss Davis in the 30-minute series will be Davey Davison (nominated for an Emmy this year) as her daughter and Ed Begley (winner of an Oscar in 1963) as her occasional boy friend ... The list of new lawyer shows in the works grows with Will Hutchins (Sugarfoot) signed for the lead in The Lawyer, a comedy series about a young attorney working his way up in a big-city law firm ... Future Patty Duke Shows include "The Raffle," featuring Jean Stapleton (who plays a neighbor in the Broadway hit "Funny Girl") and "High Society," featuring veteran screen actress Dorothy Peterson ... Ida Lupino will direct "A Is for Aardvark," upcoming on Bewitched.



Elsa Martinelli ... makes video debut

FRANKIE AVALON WILL JOIN CARROLL BAKER in February on Bob Hope's special and will be featured in an upcoming Combat! segment titled "Brother, Brother" ... Ann Sothern, who used to rule the roost in series of her own, will be featured in a trio of Lucy episodes, as a local girl who goes off to Europe and returns as a French countess. The segments will be airing about February ... Former Route 66 star Glenn Corbett will be back for a second 12 O'clock High appearance in the same role—a DFC winner—that he played in a recent episode ... Martha Hyer and Julie London co-star as Peter Lawford's wife and girl friend, respectively, in "The Crimson Witness," a romance-and-suspense segment of The Alfred Hitchcock Hour ... Currently in production at Desilu is the pilot for a 60-minute, science-fiction, color series called Star Trek, with Jeffrey Hunter (Temple Houston) as a spaceship captain.



Annette Funicello ... in Burke's Law episode

ANNETTE FUNICELLO HAS A ROLE IN "Who Killed a Stranger?" on Burke's Law ... William Dozier, former Screen Gems vice president, has a deal with CBS to produce the pilot for The Avenger, an action-adventure series starring Peter Fonda ... Ken Murray, the Hollywood movie-man, is set to play the part of an evil enemy agent and gambling-casino proprietor in an upcoming segment of The Man from U.N.C.L.E. ... Bing welcomes son Garry in an upcoming Bing Crosby Show episode, "The Dominant Male" ... When The Bill Dana Show goes under, house detective Don Adams may stay afloat in a series of his own. NBC has signed him to make a pilot, and the network has in mind a comedy property called Get Smart, about a not-too-competent secret agent ... Harry Belafonte joins Dinah Shore on her third evening ABC special in February. In part, the show will be a tribute to the Peace Corps.

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STAMP COLUMN

The United States has some 250,000 amateur radio operators and to honor them the Post Office will issue a 5-cent postage stamp. Release date is Dec. 15 and first day ceremonies will be in Anchorage, Alaska.

It was in Alaska that the "hams" wrote another chapter in a long public service record by maintaining communications following the recent earthquake.

The Radio Amateur commemorative stamp falls on the 50th anniversary of the founding of the American Radio Relay League.

The 5-cent vertical stamp, purple on white paper, was designed by Emil J. Willett of Hartford, Conn. His stylized design combines a radio broadcast wave with a portion of a radio dial. Upper left, in white sans serif capitals, appears "Amateur Radio." The denomination, also in white, is lower left, followed by the identification "U.S. Postage."

Collectors desiring first-day cancellations may send addressed envelopes, together with remittance to cover the cost of the stamps to be affixed, to the Postmaster, Anchorage, Alaska 99501.

TODAY'S AGRI-FACT: Cranberries are definitely cranberries, but such is not the case with artichokes. Lou Webster, reporting on two varieties for the Department of Agriculture, says they are no more alike than chalk and

cheese. One is the Jerusalem artichoke and nobody knows why they are called that. They grow on the roots of Helianthus Tuberosus, a wild sunflower. It is neither an artichoke nor does it come from Jerusalem. It is one of the few plants cultivated by American Indians. It looks like a warty potato all out of shape that doesn't taste like much of anything. In soups, etc., it is supposed to fill you up without too many calories. The other artichoke is the bud of the plant Cynara Scolymus, eaten by dipping the cooked scales in mayonnaise or other dressing. The globe or bur artichokes come from California but Jerusalem artichokes may be raised here in Massachusetts.

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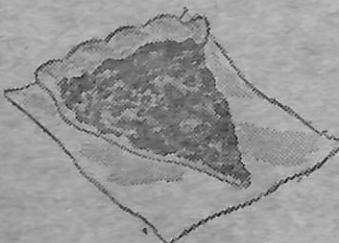


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Watch Out For Bogus Money!

WASHINGTON — If someone hands you an engraving of Jefferson, Hamilton, Jackson, or even Grant, to fold in your purse take a second look.

It may be a counterfeit, says the secret service.

Be your own detective, is the advice of the service which is charged with the duty not only of protecting the President and his family but of protecting the public from counterfeiters.

How can you tell the difference between a bogus bill and a genuine one?

Chief James J. Rowley makes it sound easy. Just a matter of being able to tell a good portrait of Lincoln, Hamilton, Jackson, or Grant from a poor one.

The genuine is "clear and distinct, the numbering on the bill is evenly spaced, the paper is distinctive with inserted colored threads evident."

The counterfeit portrait is "lifeless," the fine border lines are not clear, the numbering is often poorly spaced and uneven in appearance.

An inquiry made to the service may narrow this detective task down a bit, or at least simplify it.

It seems the bills "most frequently counterfeited" are the 10's and 20's. The \$10 bill has a portrait of Alexander Hamilton; the \$20 bill pictures Andrew Jackson.

What do you do if you receive what you think is a counterfeit bill? "Take it to the bank," says the Secret Service, which, by the way, functions under the Treasury Department.

Do they give you a good bill for the fake? "No." Who loses? "You do." Think that one over.

"If the Treasury were to reimburse everyone who turned in a counterfeit bill, a conspiracy could develop." That is, a counterfeiter could enter into a clandestine agreement to take his fake money to the Treasury and get good money in return.

On the brighter side: Even though counterfeiters turned out a record production this year, the Secret Service hung up a record, too. It seized \$7,200,000 in bogus money before it could be passed on to the public.

Why such a flourishing business in counterfeiting?

The growth in the crime rate and the fact that many criminals driven out of other rackets have turned to counterfeiting, the service says.

Also, the service explains, development of the graphic arts and improved printing equipment has made this form of deception easier.

Happier thought: Although these "artists" turned out more than \$7,500,000 last year, only \$530,000 slipped through Secret Service fingers to the public.

Moral, says the Secret Service: "Know your money!"

Be particularly careful this winter when you drive on bridges and overpasses. The Massachusetts Registry of Motor Vehicles warns that they can be accident traps for unwary drivers. While melting snow may have disappeared from most of the roadway, bridge surfaces exposed to the cold below may still be slippery.

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Veterans interested in the new law re-opening National Service Life Insurance may obtain a "general information" sheet at any VA regional office, William F. Connors, manager of VA's Boston office, said today.

This printed sheet gives a general outline of what the law provides and what the veteran must do and concludes on the reverse side with sample tables of monthly premium rates.

A copy of this sheet may be obtained by calling, writing or telephoning the nearest VA regional office.

Mr. Connors reminded veterans, however, that no application can be made for the insurance until May 1, 1965. This date for re-opening is set by law.

Mr. Connors gave this brief resume of key facts which interested veterans should know:

- Veterans are eligible if—
- they were originally eligible for NSLI between Oct. 8, 1940 and Jan. 1, 1957,
 - they now have no GI insurance or less than \$10,000 in coverage,
 - they have service-connected disabilities and regardless of degree they meet standards of good health or are prevented by their service-connected disabilities alone from meeting standards of good health.
 - they had on or before Oct. 13, 1964, nonservice-connected disabilities which are sufficient to prevent them from buying commercial insurance at the highest rates.

QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS

Q. Are there any restrictions

on GI insurance that would make the policy invalid if the veteran is engaged in a hazardous occupation?

A. There is no such restriction on GI insurance. They may work in any occupation, no matter how hazardous, without altering the terms of his policy or amount of the income.

Q. I am a war veteran, but I have never had any dealings with the V.A. Can I get a free physical exam from them?

A. Only if it is needed in connection with application for a benefit, such as hospitalization, or for service-connection of some condition.

Q. Can I be married and continue education under the Jr. GI Education act?

A. Marriage does not affect eligibility.

DAYS OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO VETERANS . . . (FLAG DAYS)

- Jan. 1 — New Years Day
Feb. 12 — Lincoln's Birthday;
22 Washington's Birthday.
April 6 — US Entered WW I.
May 8 VE Day; 16, Armed Forces Day; 30, Memorial Day.
June 6 — D-Day; 14, Flag Day; 25, Korean War Started.
July 4 — Independence Day.
Aug. 14 — VJ-Day.
Sept. 7 — Labor Day; 17, Constitution Day.
Oct. 12 — Columbus Day.
Nov. 11 — Veterans Day; 26, Thanksgiving Day.
Dec. 7 — Pearl Harbor — WW II; 25, Christmas Day.

Streamlining Of Army Hinted

Washington
Secretary of Defense Robert S. McNamara, is reported to have approved a drastic streamlining that would shift 150,000 Army reservists and their units into the National Guard.

Another 150,000 reservists would be dropped into a manpower pool which would be tapped for reinforcements in emergencies.

As a practical matter, the organized Army Reserve would cease to exist.

Backup for the 16-division regular Army would be concentrated in an expanded 550,000-man National Guard.

The keynote is readiness. All guard units would be built into well-equipped, well-drilled outfits.

Parking Meters Gift Wrapped

RATON, N. M.—The city fathers of this northern New Mexico community have given its citizens a Christmas present. The city commission declared a moratorium on all parking meters until Dec. 28.

The action was taken at the request of merchants to accommodate Christmas shoppers. Some merchants put Christmas wrapping paper over the meters in front of their stores.

In that length of time a year ago, \$450 was collected from the city's 320 meters.

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Out of the Fog

Words, words, words. Thousands, millions of them have tumbled from the printing presses about cigarette smoking and its dangers. The printers are still at it. And so, sad to relate, are many smokers.

Cigarette sales did take a mild nose-dive about a year ago, after an expert advisory committee turned in its report to the U. S. Surgeon General. Its findings are well known: Cigarette smokers die earlier than nonsmokers; cigarettes are a major cause of chronic bronchitis and lung cancer; their use is associated with lung-crippling emphysema; and so on.

But such is the hold of this habit on the human body and psyche, that as yet all the publicity given the findings has brought no dramatic change. Industry reports show cigarette sales back at their earlier levels or higher. The best advice of doctors and health educators, the best intentions of many smokers, tend to get lost in a fog of cigarette smoke.

Is the picture altogether bleak? Serious researchers in the field say no. A number of them compared experiences and ideas during a recent meeting of the American Public Health Association, and came up with some hopeful indications.

Early setbacks are inevitable, it seems in the nationwide effort to reduce cigarette consumption. A longstanding habit of many years is hard to break. The best of books, pamphlets, classes and clinics by themselves cannot have a very successful effect on many grown-ups with such a lifelong smoking habit. A few have been helped and more practical aids are in the experimental stage.

But the best answer still lies in persuading young people never to start the practice—so that in the future the habit can be expected to die out.

Specific programs along these lines are being developed. And further news, especially on how to lead youngsters away from the cigarette urge can be expected.

NOTE: Ask your Christmas Seal Association for a free copy of "Cigarette Smoking, The Facts," issued by the National Tuberculosis Association.

Health For All sponsored by Hampden County Tuberculosis and Public Health Association.

Half-Pea Rocket Motor

WOOD-RIDGE, N. J. — The smallest rocket motor in the world—the size and shape of a pea sliced in half—will make its debut in 1965 aboard the next Tiros weather satellite to go into orbit.

The miniatures, developed here by the Wright Aeronautical Division of the Curtiss-Wright Corporation, will get a trial as stabilizers for Tiros.

The expendable "cap" motors are mounted in large quantities on a tape that feeds them into a half-pound firing device.

Curtiss-Wright calls the device "the Cap Pistol," which is what it sounds like when fired. The tiny motors each weigh about three-hundredths of an ounce. An adult can hold a hundred of them in one hand.

Each motor provides one pound of thrust for less than two-hundredths of a second, compared with this country's largest rocket engines, which produce up to 1.5 million pounds of thrust for minutes at a time.



Fifty members of the championship Agawam High School football team were entertained at the Agawam Lions Club meeting last night in the Agawam Congregational Church hall. Mr. Edward S. Steitz, director of athletics at Springfield College, gave a very interesting talk, complete with wonderful slides, on the Olympics in Japan this past summer, and coach Harry Leonardi made a few remarks about the team. Their campaign this year was dedicated to the memory of Ricky Morin and Andy Anderson, which accounts for the boys going all out in every game. Chairman Ray Harris had a very good program, and the Town should be real proud of these boys.

Reservations are being taken now by Secretary Duane Stebbins for the Mid-Winter Conference at Schine Inn on Feb. 6. Agawam has always had a good turn-out to these conferences in the past and, no doubt, will again this year.

After Bricks, Mortarboard

MOUNT CARROLL, Ill. — A group of Shimer College students and faculty has agreed to give up one day of Christmas vacation—to help unload 25,000 bricks from a box car.

Dr. F. J. Mullin, Shimer president, said 24 of the college's 250 students and 12 of its 30 faculty members offered to spend the first day of the vacation unloading the bricks. He said the voluntary help expedite construction of a 112-student dormitory.

Dr. Mullin said the work of the volunteers will save several hundred dollars in building the dormitory.

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